PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWENTIETH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod

OF

NEBRASKA,

CONVENED AT

PONCA, NEBRASKA, OCTOBER 25-30, 1892,

REV. W. C. MCCOOL, Pastor.

ALSO, PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE

SYNOD OF NEBRASKA,

HELD AT

AUBURN, NEB., SEPT. 20-22, 1892.

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[See pages 30 and 31.]

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OF

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HELD AT

Ponca, Neb., Oct. 25th–30th, 1892.

As per announcement the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska met in the newly erected Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, of Ponca, Rev. W. C. McCool, pastor, on Tuesday evening, October 25th. The opening sermon was preached by President of Synod, Rev. W. L. Remsberg, from Philomon, 7th verse.

FIRST DAY—FIRST SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 9 A. M.

After devotional exercises of one half hour, Synod was formally opened by the President.

The roll was called and the lay delegates were enrolled.

The following constitutes the clerical roll with their respective delegates:

Roll.

Clerical.	Entered Ministry.	Address.	Lay Delegate.
W. F. Eyster	1841	Crete.	
Lloyd Knight, *a. e.*	1845	Yutan.	
J. Zimmerman	1856	Lincoln.	
J. G. Groenmiller	1857	Rockport, Mo.	Adam Lauman, *a.*
S. Aughe, LL. D., *a. e.*	1858	Hot Springs, Ark.	
J. F. Kuhlman, *a. e.*	1858	North Platte.	
H. W. Kuhns, D. D.	1858	2433 Franklin st., Omaha.	
C. A. Fritze, *a. e.*	1858	Hastings.	
G. H. Schnur, *a. e.*	1860	Yutan	J. Bender, *a. e.*
B. Sickle, *a.*	1862	Lincoln.	
H. Siekman, *a. e.*	1862	Hastings.	
L. Groh	1863	Lincoln	Daniel Easterday, *a. e.*
M. L. Kunkelman, *a.*	1866	McCook.	
J. A. Clutz, D. D.	1867	Atchinson, Kan.	
J. G. Griffith	1867	Stella.	
J. S. Detweiler, D. D.	1873	2518 Davenport Street, Omaha.	Chas. H. Puls, *a.*
D. Z. Foulk	1873	Grand Island.	
I. N. Augustine, *a. e.*	1874	Hastings.	
J. W. Kimmel	1876	Tekamah.	G. A. Crannell.
F. W. Scheible, *a.*	1876	Amazon.	
R. W. Petrea	1876	Pawnee City	Jacob Weber, *a.*
B. F. Pugh	1877	Sabetha, Kan.	A. J. Kreger, *a.*
C. Huber	1877	1819 Pinckney st., Omaha	
W. L. Remsberg	1877	Beatrice.	J. J. Locke.
H. A. Opsal, *a. e.*	1878	Denver, Colo.	
J. N. Zimmer, *a.*	1878	Rising City.	
L. P. Ladden	1878	Lincoln	E. J. Meyers.
G. H. Albright	1879	Lincoln	Sol. Shrader, *a.*
A. T. Ludwig, *a.*	1879	West Point.	
Fred. Gafert	1880	Grand Island.	
G. S. Diven, *a. e.*	1882	Wilber.	
F. M. Andreason, *a.*	1883	Rapid City.	
L. M. Kuhns	1885	2551 Pierce St., Omaha.	L. H. Corty, *a. e.*
C. W. Baker	1885	South Auburn.	C. E. Blessing, *a.*
W. C. McCool	1886	Ponca	S. B. Stough, M. D.
R. A. White	1886	Benedict.	
E. Lee Fleck	1886	Sidney.	
A. J. Turkle	1886	511 South 25 Ave., Omaha	
A. Jatho, *a.*	1887	Sacramento, Cal.	
L. Schabinger, *a.*	1887	St. Joseph, Mo.	
H. J. Hapeman	1888	Dakota City	George Lamer.
Fred. Buehler, *a.*	1891	Glenville.	
A. C. Gearhart	....	University Place, Lincoln.	
W. H. Naffziger	1890	Kearney.	
Paul B. Holtgreve	....	Stella.	
W. A. Lipe	....	West Point Davenport.	E. Deitenderf, *a.*
A. Yockle, *a. e.*	....	Malvern, Ark.	
W. H. Link, *a. e.*	....	Lincoln.	

a. Absent. *a. e.* Absent and excused.

President's Report.

To the Brethren and Members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

Grace and peace! Dearly beloved in the Lord:

In the kind providence of God and under the benign influences of His grace, we have been enabled to live and labor another year in the Master's vineyard, and now to gather in this our twentieth annual convention to record as far as we can the results of our toils; to catch new inspiration and gird on new strength, and to devise wisely and liberally for the future, in all of which "We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. Save thy people, and bless thine heritage."

The past year has been one of varied success; some churches making commendable progress, while others have sustained loss through vacant pulpits. But in the main our growth has been steady and substantial with the best results hidden and unseen, the seed of future harvests. Thorough fidelity, peace and harmony prevails, and no heavy weight rests upon us except travail of soul for the vast work before us.

My office has been one certainly involving much care and labor, a position which I could not have accepted but for faith in God. I have endeavored to discharge my duties faithfully and conscientiously, and with a view to the best interest of the great cause. In accordance with time-honored custom, and the requirements of our Constitution, I herewith submit a record of my official acts, with all official papers and the usual items of interest.

I. MINISTERS DISMISSED TO OTHER BODIES.

September 21, 1891, Rev. L. L. Lipe, to the Synod of Northern Illinois.

October 19, 1891, Rev. William Rosenstengel, to the Rocky Mountain Synod.

June 15, 1892, Rev. E. A. Roglin, to the German Synod of Nebraska.

September 7, 1892, Rev. Karl Krueger, to the German Synod of Nebraska.

September 15, 1892, Rev. E. J. Hall, to the California Synod.

September 15, 1892, Rev. P. B. Fasold (Licentiate), to the Miami Synod.

September 15, 1892, Rev. M. L. Melick, to the Iowa Synod.

October 20, 1892, Rev. H. P. Hansen, to the United Norwegian Church.

October 20, 1892, Rev. F. H. Karpenstein, to the Nebraska Synod.

II. CONGREGATIONS DISMISSED TO OTHER SYNODS.

1. *To the Rocky Mountain Synod.*

September 23, 1891, St. Paul's German Congregation of Laramie, Wyo.

October 13, 1891, The Lutheran Congregation at Leadville, Colo.

October 19, 1891, First Scandinavian Congregation of Cheyenne, Wyo.

October 26th, 1891, Trinity Lutheran Church (Scandinavian), of Laramie, Wyo.

2. *To the German Synod of Nebraska.*

January 11, 1892, Salem's Lutheran Church at Fontanelle.

May 3, 1892, St. John's German Lutheran Church of Carrico.

September 15, 1892, St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Boheet.

September 15, 1892, Zion's Lutheran Church of Ohiowa.

September 19, 1892, St. John's Lutheran Church of Shell Creek, Platte County, Neb.

September 26, 1892, St. Mary's Lutheran Church of Liberty Township, Richardson County, Neb.

III. RESIGNATIONS.

January 10, 1892, Rev. W. F. Eyster, in consequence of advanced age, resigned the Roca charge, his resignation taking effect at once.

January 17, 1892, Rev. H. P. Hansen resigned the Swedish Mission Church in Denver, to take effect April 1st, 1892.

March 4, 1892, Rev. B. F. Crouse resigned the David City charge, to take effect April 1, 1892.

April 3, 1892, Rev. J. G. Griffith resigned St. Mark's Church, Omaha, to take effect April 17, 1892.

June 1, 1892, Rev. M. L. Melick resigned the charge at Wayne, to take effect September 1, 1892.

June 7, 1892, Rev. J. N. Zimmer informed me that he had resigned the Rising charge, his resignation taking effect April 10, 1892.

June 27, 1892, Rev. J. C. Jacoby resigned the Nebraska City charge, to take effect October 1, 1892.

July 18, 1892, Rev. F. W. Buehler resigned the Hays County charge, to take effect August 5, 1892.

August 1, 1892, Rev. G. S. Diven resigned the charge at Wilber, to take effect immediately.

October 2, 1892, Rev. G. H. Albright resigned the Surprise charge, to take effect at once.

IV. APPLICATIONS.

November 19, 1891, Rev. Paul B. Holtgreve, from the Central Illinois Synod.

July 20, 1892, Rev. Carl Rumph, from the Wartburg Synod.

October 23, 1892, Rev. J. H. Link, from the Miami Synod.

October, 1892, Rev. W. A. Lipe, from the Synod of Iowa.

V. CALLS ACCEPTED.

December 9, 1891, Rev. A. C. Gearhart, to the charge at Waverly. He entered upon his labors January 1, 1892.

January 8, 1891, Rev. B. F. Pugh, to the charge at Sabetha, Kan. He provisionally accepted and entered upon the work October 1, 1891.

June 21, 1892, Rev. J. G. Griffith informed me that he had accepted the Agency of Midland College. He has already entered upon his work.

August 9, 1892, Rev. W. A. Lipe, to the charge at West Point. He had entered upon his labors August 7, 1892.

September 7, 1892, Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., to St. Mark's, Omaha. He entered upon the duties of his pastorate April 18, 1892.

VI. NEW CONGREGATIONS.

March 22, 1892, Christ's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Davenport was organized by Rev. C. Huber, with forty members.

July 1, 1892, Rev. B. F. Pugh organized a congregation in the town of Sabetha, Kan., and moved the country organization to the town.

August 23, 1892, Rev. L. Groh organized a congregation at Eagle Point, near Lincoln.

VII. LAYING OF CORNER-STONES.

June 24, 1892, the corner-stone of Salem's Church of Ponca was laid, an edifying and much appreciated sermon being preached by Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D. The resident ministers of the city participated in the services.

August 7, 1892, the corner-stone of St. Mark's, Lincoln, was laid on the day of date. An interesting and appropriate sermon was preached by Rev. A. S. Hartman, General Secretary of Home Missions. The liturgical service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. L. Groh, assisted by others.

VIII. DEDICATION OF CHURCHES.

July 10, 1892, Trinity Lutheran Church of Stella was re-dedicated by Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., assisted by others.

August 23, 1892, Trinity Lutheran Church at Eagle Point was dedicated by Rev. L. Groh, others participating in the service. It is a neat church, 26 by 44 feet, with a seating capacity of 175.

October 23, 1892, Salem's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ponca was dedicated—Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., President of Midland College, preaching the dedicatory sermon and Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., preaching in the evening. The liturgical service was participated in by the pastor, Rev. W. C. McCool, the afore-mentioned brethren, and others.

IX. VACANCIES.

The present vacancies are David City, which is being temporarily supplied by Rev. S. Traver; Davenport, which is an entirely new organization and hardly to be called a vacancy; McCook; Nebraska City; Republican Valley; Rising; Surprise; Wayne, and Wilber. Wilber has extended a call which it is hoped will be accepted. The prospects are that a few of the other points will soon be occupied. An effort was made to systematically furnish supplies for these vacancies as far as possible, which was done in behalf of a number of them. The President visited Davenport, Wilber, David City, Surprise and Rising, with a view of rendering any help possible. I wish to report that, though no formal action was taken, the Surprise people seem willing that their pastor shall be allowed to divide the time with Rising, allowing the pastor to make such arrangements with Rising as he can.

X. MISCELLANEOUS.

1. September 23, 1891, I forwarded an official certification of the Synod's action relative to the General Synod's proposed amendment to its Constitution, to the Secretary of that body. (See page 28 of the last Minutes.)

2. October 15, 1891, I received the report of the committee appointed by the Ministerium at last convention of this body to further investigate, adjudicate and conclude the charges of the Rising congregation against Rev. G. H. Albright. On the 19th of the same month, in conformity to their instructions, I sent exact copies of their finding to the accused and accusers, together with a letter of censure to the accused, and of counsel to the accusers, exact copies of all of which are herewith submitted.

3. December 22, 1891, pursuant to a resolution of Synod (see page 30 of last Minutes), I wrote Rev. H. P. Hansen, asking him to adjust the claim of Rev. B. F. Crouse for hotel expenses at Denver. Brother Hansen paid the bill in full.

4. March 10, 1892, I received a certified copy of the Constitution of the congregation at Lexington, and finding it in conformity to the requirements of Synod I delivered it to the Statistical Secretary with instructions to deposit it in the Archives of the Synod.

5. April 4, 1892, as per instruction of Synod, I communicated to Rev. Carl Rumph the action of this body as found on page 9 of last Minutes. His letter of dismission and recommendation to this Synod has since been received. The correspondence, however, developed the fact that the Synod was under some misapprehension in saying that the Constitution of the Hanover Congregation demanded that its minister should belong to the same Synod that it belonged to. Its only declaration upon this point is that their minister shall belong to some Synod of the General Synod. The result of this unfortunate misapprehension, together with some other claimed aggrievances, has disaffected the congregation somewhat, and they accordingly informed the President that they would leave the Synod. But supposing that they meant to unite with the German Synod as others had done, no serious apprehension was taken to it. Shortly afterward I was informed by their Secretary that their congregation had taken action to the effect that they would leave the Synod and be an independent congregation. I accordingly visited them July 19, and was very kindly received. Many expressed regret that I had not come sooner, as in that event they would not have taken the step they did. I urged them to reconsider, and engaged in an extensive corrospondence to effect that result, but without material avail, though I feel persuaded that their feeling is in the main conciliatory. Exact copies of my correspondence are submitted.

6. August 6, 1892, I received a request from Rev. E. J. Hall for his letter of dismission from this Synod with a view of uniting with the California Synod. This I declined for the time, pending his apology to the Synod for non-attendance at its last convention, as per special resolution of Synod forbidding the giving of letters to a certain number of unexcused brethren, of whom he was one, until they apologized to Synod. See page 48 of last Minutes. But after consultation with some of the brethren, who, with myself, interpreted the spirit of the resolution to mean an apology deemed acceptable

by the President, and rather than cause delay, I granted his letter upon the reception of his apology, which is herewith submitted.

7. September 9, 1892, I received information from Rev. L. M. Kuhns to the effect that the name of the "Shull Memorial church of Omaha" was changed to "Grace church of Omaha," and that with the legal consent of the Church Extension Board, the Statistical Secretary was instructed to make the change in the Synod's Calendar of Congregations.

8. In the instance of a few congregations asking dismission to other Synods, their petitions seemed to have been based upon the action of their Church Councils instead of upon the special action of their congregations, which alone have right to determine Synodical relations. As they were urging their letters in order to be in time for the meetings of the bodies to which they asked to be dismissed, and feeling that it was an oversight and that the moral principle was right, I waived the legal technicality and granted them. While I hope Synod will not dissent from this action, I yet hope it will not become a precedent for other and ordinary circumstances.

9. During the past winter information was received of the sickness and destitution of Rev. H. O. Opsal, with an appeal from that brother for immediate relief. The churches of the Synod were at once asked to take up collections, which resulted in a contribution of forty some dollars. The brother was referred to the Conferences or Synod in view of any further appeals, in order that the brethren of the Synod might be well certified of the worthiness of the case. He expresses to Synod grateful thanks for its generous treatment of him, and presents a paper for Synod's consideration.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That a committee of three be appointed to report upon the "Provisional Catechism," as per instruction of the General Synod, and that the Secretary be instructed to convey as soon as possible the action of this body to the committee preparing the Catechism. See pages 60 and 61 of the last Minutes of the General Synod.

2. That a Committee be appointed to select and recommend a limited number of the choicest books for the use of the young people of the Societies of Christian Endeavor and Lutheran Alliance, having in view first the Christian edification of the young as Christians, and secondly their edification as Lutheran Christians, this committee to report to this body at this convention of Synod, in order to have the list printed in our Minutes.

3. It is necessary that this body elect the requisite number of delegates to the General Synod.

4. That inasmuch as the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Nebraska Synod has asked to have their Minutes appended to the Minutes of Synod, thereby bringing their work more promlnently before the churches, that their request be granted, with the understanding that they pay their pro rata of the expenses.

5. That inasmuch as Rev. G. S. Diven has left the bounds of this Synod

under circumstances possibly affecting his standing in the Synod, that Synod give instruction to the President in the event a letter is asked.

Respectfully submitted, W. L. REMSBERG.

Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer, through Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., offered the following report:

J. F. WILHELMY, *Treasurer, in account with Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:*

RECEIPTS.

Total balance as per report to Synod		$597 38	
Received for regular Home Mission		263 19	
" "	Children's Home Mission	171 16	
" "	Carrico Mission	5 00	
" "	Carrico Parsonage	425 00	
" "	Regular Foreign Mission	366 32	
" "	Children's Foreign Mission	116 57	
" "	India Prayer House	30 00	
" "	Church Extension	426 10	
" "	Board of Education	103 77	
" "	English Beneficiary Education	289 37	
" "	German Beneficiary Education	17 09	
" "	Chicago Seminary debt	75 00	
" "	Midland Ladies' Hall	31 75	
" "	Midland Contingent Fund	5 00	
" "	English Orphans' Home	113 40	
" "	German Orphans' Home	2 00	
" "	Pastors' Fund	53 03	
" "	Traveling Secretary	7 00	
" "	McCook church debt	131 00	
" "	Rev. H. O. Opsal, benefit	43 75	
" "	General Synod Treasury	29 34	
" "	Synodical Treasury	186 03	
" "	Rising City church debt	69 00	
			$3557 25

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid out on	Regular Home Mission	$352 42
" "	Children's Home Mission	171 16
" "	Carrico Mission	30 00
" "	Carrico parsonage	425 00
" "	Regular Foreign Mission	569 51
" "	Children's Foreign Mission	128 49
" "	India Prayer House	30 00
" "	Church Extension	559 03
" "	Board of Education	131 50
" "	English Beneficiary Education	375 00
" "	German Beneficiary Education	18 24
" "	Chicago Seminary debt	75 00
" "	Midland Ladies' Hall	31 75
" "	Midland Contingent Fund	5 00

Paid out on English Orphans' Home		$117 00
" " German Orphans' Home		2 00
" " Pastors' Fund		74 71
" " Traveling Secretary		7 00
" " McCook church debt		131 00
" " Rev. H. O Opsal, benefit		43 75
" " Rising City church debt		69 00
" " Synodical Treasury as follows:		
Paid to Rev. J. C. Jacoby	$16 76	
" Rev. W. C. McCool	8 96	
" Rev. L. M. Kuhns	1 25	
" Lutheran Publication Society	50 00	
" Festner Printing Co.	3 50	
" Lutheran Publication Society	50 00	
" Severinghaus and Beilfus	13 00	
" Rev. L. Knight (interest)	8 00	
" Lutheran Publication Society	53 27	
Paid for postage and stationery	3 78	
		208 52
Balance on hand		2 16
		$3557 25

Omaha, Neb., August 3, 1892.

On motion, Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, and Rev. J. H. Karpenstein, delegate from the German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, were received as advisory members of this body.

On motion, Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., and Rev. W. F. Eyster, were constituted a committee on the Development of Luther's Catechism.

FIRST DAY—SECOND SESSION.

2 P. M.

Synod was opened in usual form.

Report of Committee on Traveling Secretary.

Mr. President, Fathers and Brethren: The committee on Traveling Secretary present the following report:

ORGANIZATION.

The committee, as constituted at Beatrice a year ago, met and organized by the election of the following officers: Chairman, Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy; Secretary, Rev. Luther M. Kuhns; Treasurer, Dr. P. S. Leisenring.

At the same meeting Rev. Conrad Huber was re-elected traveling secretary at a salary of $1200.

The terms of office of Mr. Robert Weidensall, Hon. Henry Sprick and Rev. Luther M. Kuhns expire with this year, and it becomes necessary for Synod to appoint a committee to nominate three members of this committee, beside the President of Synod, who is *ex-officio* a member of the committee, whose term of office shall be three years.

MEETINGS.

The committee has held regular quarterly meetings for the transaction of business at the Secretary Building, 1819 Pinckney St., Omaha.

THE SECRETARY.

In the discharge of his difficult duty the Secretary has been eminently faithful. We must content ourselves with a summary of the Secretary's operations for the year.

Summary.

Places visited	52
Congregations supplied	21
Vacancies filled	12
Congregations organized	3
Fields added to our work	1
Sermons and addresses	66
Children baptized	12
Adults baptized	4
Indebtedness liquidated	$578 90
Raised for pastor's salary	995 00
Expenses of travel and postage	42 47
Miles traveled	10322

The committee, for reasons deemed good and satisfactory, decided during the year to grant the Traveling Secretary leave of absence for three months, in which to visit his home in the Fatherland. One month of this time was that of the usual vacation. The expenses for the remaining two months were borne by Secretary Huber and Mr. Robert Weidensall, thus relieving the committee of any financial obligation with respect to the additional two months' absence from the work. Before leaving for the Fatherland our work throughout the State was left in most excellent condition.

FINANCES.

Dr. Leisenring, the efficient treasurer of the committee, is able to make a most encouraging report. The following is the treasurer's statement:

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Balance as per last report	$17 80	
Amount collected on subscriptions due in 1891	242 60	
" " " " 1892	880 70	
Total amount received		$1141 10

CONTRA.

Amount paid on account of salary of Traveling Secretary	$974 43	
Amount paid on account of expenses of Traveling Secretary	111 53	
Balance on hand	55 14	
Total		1141 10

Due on subscription for 1891	$79 85
" " 1892	180 00
Total due on subscriptions	259 85

The present financial outlook is most encouraging. The Committee believe that they will be able to provide for all the necessary expenses for the current year without any trouble.

THE WORK.

Our work this year has, in some respects, been marked by a new departure. Three congregations have been organized, and one field has been added to our work. One of these fields notably, Davenport, is on a self-sustaining basis. The work at Lodge Pole is also an encourging work. We feel safe in saying that never before has the work of the Traveling Secretary been so fruitful in lasting results as this year. A reference to the summary submitted by the Traveling Secretary will give some idea of the immense amount of work done by the Committee during the year. The congregations organized are: Two in Cheyenne county, and one in Thayer county. The new field added to our work is Emerald in Lancaster county.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend the following for adoption:

1. *Resolved*, That with hnmble hearts we return thanks to God for the blessings He has given the church in this work in the year now come to a close.

2. *Resolved*, That the Committee be authorized to secure at least $1,600 for the work of the next year, commencing January 1, 1893, and that all expenses of the Committee on Traveling Secretary be paid out of the treasury of that Committee.

Respectfully submitted, LUTHER M. KUHNS,
Sec'y. of Com.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy, Chairman,	Rev. A. J. Turkle,
Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, Secretary,	Mr. Robert Weidensall,
Dr. P. S. Leisenring, Treasurer,	Hon. Henry Sprick,
Rev. W. L. Remsberg, Ex-officio,	Mr. F. W. Petring,
Rev. G. H. Schnur, Sr.	

Report of Committee on Development of Luther's Catechism.

Your Committee appointed to suggest to the Synod some appropriate action on "The Development of Luther's Smaller Catechism," prepared and published by a Committee of the General Synod, would respectfully report as follows:

We have given the work of the Committee of the General Synod as full and careful examination as the time and circumstances would allow. That some such "Development" of the Catechism is needed and demanded by our

FIRST DAY—THIRD SESSION.

7:30 P. M.

The evening services were in the interest of Foreign Missions. The sermon was preached by Rev. W. H. Naffziger, of Kearney.

SECOND DAY—FIRST SESSION.

THURSDAY, 9 A. M.

Synod devoted one half hour to devotional exercises.

Synod was formally opened by reading Scripture, and prayer.

Report of Committee on Orphans' Home.

Your Committee appointed to take into consideration the establishment of an Orphans' Home would respectfully report:

1. The Committee had one special meeting during the year, which met at Omaha, Neb., for the purpose of performing the work committed to its hands. Rev. J. G. Groenmiller, a member of the Committee, was not able to be present at that time, and very much depended upon what arrangements could be made with him in reference to the property which he has designed for Orphans' Home purposes these many years. Nothing definite could therefore be done by your Committee. For various reasons there has been no special development since. The fact has however clearly come to light that there is a desire in various localities that such a Home should be established, for it has met with favor from many. We believe, therefore, that this work should be continued, and that efforts should be made for the final accomplishment of it.

In view of this, your Committee would offer the following:

1. That this committee of five, with the addition of two laymen, be again appointed to take this matter into further advisement, and report the result of its labors at the next meeting of our Synod.

2. That said committee draw up a Constitution for the regulation and government of such a Home and an application for a charter, and present their work at the next meeting of Synod for its approval and adoption.

Respectfully submitted.

C. HUBER,
J. G. GRIFFITH,
J. G. GROENMILLER,
W. C. McCOOL,
H. W. KUHNS.

Revs. Huber, Groenmiller, Griffith, Kuhns, D. D., and McCool constitute committee, with the privilege to name the lay members.

Resolved, That Revs. Ludden, Huber and L. M. Kuhns be constituted a

committee to revise the Constitution of Synod, and that they be requested to make a preliminary report at this meeting.

Report of Committee on Application of New Congregations.

Your Committee on New Congregations respectfully report:

That the congregations applying for membership are those of Davenport, Neb., and Pawnee City. These churches accompany their application with satisfactory evidence that their Constitutions are in harmony with the Formula of Government and Discipline of the General Synod. We therefore recommend the following:

1. That the congregation at Davenport be received.

2. That the congregation at Pawnee City be required, as per our rule, to place a copy of their Constitution with the Statistical Secretary, and that their name be then enrolled.

W. F. EYSTER,
J. G. GROENMILLER.
Committee.

Report of Committee on Beneficiary Education.

Your Committee would report that we have had three young men under our care, and receiving aid from the Beneficiary Education Fund.

1. Mr. W. H. Blessing. He is in the Junior Class of Midland College, and received from the funds of Synod during the past year $175.00. His term reports show a good class standing.

We recommend an appropriation of $150.00 for this year.

2. Harmon Aughey Wolfe. He is taking a special course in Midland College, and received $150.00 last year. He has made very commendable progress.

We recommend that the same amount be appropriated during the ensuing year.

3. John Gutleben. He is in the freshman class of Midland College, and has received $50.00 during the past year. He has maintained an excellent standing in his classes. We note with pleasure that the German Synod of Nebraska, of which his father is a member, at their late session have made arrangements whereby we will be relieved of his further support.

4. C. J. Ringer through his pastor, Rev. Paul B. Holtgreve, made application for assistance to pursue a special course of study at Midland College.

We recommend that $150.00 be given him for assistance during the present year. $100.00 of this amount has already been provided for by friends of President Clutz in the East.

Very respectfully submitted, A. J. TURKLE.

The following resolutions were passed:

1. *Resolved*, That the item relating to Mr. Blessing be referred to the Committee on Education, with instructions to carefully investigate the case, and

with authority to make such appropriation as they may then find wise, not to exceed $150.00.

2. That the Committee on Education be given discretionary power to assist any worthy young men during the year so far as the funds will allow.

Rev. J. N. Lenker, Western Secretary Board of Church Extension, was received as an advisory member of Synod.

SECOND DAY—SECOND SESSION.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Report of the Advisory Board of Home Missions.

The Minutes of the General Synod, together with our own knowledge of facts, enable us to report fifteen missions within the bounds of our Synod. Taking them up in detail we respectfully submit the following:

1. *Auburn.*—This congregation, under the efficient pastoral care of Rev. C. W. Baker, has made some substantial progress, notwithstanding the fact that they have suffered a loss by removal of members to the extent of twelve during the year. Their gain in membership is about equivalent. They have met an indebtedness of $540, leaving at present a very small encumbrance. The spiritual condition of the church is comparatively good. The prayer meetings are reported to be seasons of spiritual refreshing.

2. *Beatrice.*—Our church at Beatrice has made progress. The membership has grown a little. The attendance is as good as ever, if not a little better. The prayer meetings are seasons of refreshing, especially the Society of Christian Endeavor. The debt has been reduced from $5,300 to $2,200. A little more of the apportionment has been raised than for a few years back. The finances are still a great burden.

3. *Benedict.*—This charge is, under the devoted pastoral care of Rev. R. A. White, making its usual progress. Of a debt of $975 on the parsonage, $915.90 has been paid. Harmony exists between pastor and people, and the spiritual interests are good.

4. *Bloomington.*—This point, together with Franklin, McCook, and Norcatur and Long Island, Kan., has been served by Rev. M. L. Kunkelman until last May, since which time the first three named places have been vacant. At Bloomington and Franklin we have scarcely any interests except church property. At the former place the church is in a state of dilapidation; of it an Episcopal bishop inquired during the past year with a view of purchasing it.

5. *David City.*—This mission was served by Rev. B. F. Crouse until March last, since which time it had been vacant until several weeks ago, when Rev. S. Traver took charge of it temporarily. They have suffered much from removals, but the point is an important one and the outlook is good. It, however, at present needs the Synod's special care and attention.

6. *Denver, Col.*—The Scandinavian church in this place is still in connection with this Synod. April last Rev. H. P. Hansen resigned, since which time it was served by Rev. Opsal. A few weeks ago the distressing news came that it was to be sold under mortgage on the 24th of October. Of this fact the Western Secretary of Church Extension has been apprised, and now has the matter under advisement.

7. *Kearney.*—This point, in connection with Lexington, is served by Rev. W. H. Naffziger. During the year your Board made a formal appeal to the Church Extension Board to take upon itself the amount of money loaned the Kearney church by the Home Mission Board. Nothing was heard of it. Kearney has had its discouragements, but the interest has revived some. Lexington is in a more prosperous condition.

Whereas, The Board of Home Missions very generously came to the relief of the church in Kearney in a most critical time, and saved the property from sale, and vindicated the honor of the General Synod by a loan of $1621; and

Whereas, The Synod subsequently obligated itself to pay the interest on this loan, and then hoped to be able to do so; and

Whereas, Owing to failures in crops and general business depression on our territory, and the many pressing demands upon the Synod, we have been unable to fulfil this promise; and

Whereas, The accrued interest now amounts to over $500; therefore

Resolved, 1, That we most highly appreciate the generosity of the Board of Home Missions to this church, and greatly regret our inability to pay the interest on the loan.

Resolved, 2, That we do earnestly petition the Board of Home Missions to remit one-half of the interest now due, and that we also earnestly petition the Board of Church Extension to pay the other half of the interest to the Board of Home Missions, and to arrange with that Board for the future care of this loan.

8. *Lincoln, St. Mark's.*—This church, under the pastoral care of Rev. L. Groh, is making commendable progress. They have had an unusual accession of members. Their church edifice is in the process of erection, and nearly all the money needed is provided to the extent of $8,000. Both pastor and people are encouraged.

9. *Lincoln, Grace.*—Rev. L. P. Ludden is the efficient pastor. The year past has been one of unprecedented prosperity to this church. Their membership has increased from thirty-three to sixty-one. The Snnday-school has more than doubled its nnmber, having now a membership of about 150. They raised $219.00 for benevolence. The prayer meetings are good, and growing in numbers, as also attendance at regular services.

10. *North Platte*—This charge is numbered among our missions though it received nothing from the Mission Board during the pastoral work of Rev. J. F. Kuhlman in their midst. This church paid off a debt of five hundred dollars during the past year. They have organized a Society of Christian En-

deavor, which is proving profitable and interesting. The pastor is encouraged to hope for good results.

11. *Omaha, St. Mark's.*—Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., is working here with his usual zeal. The congregations are good, and the prospects favorable in every respect.

12. *Pawnee City.*—Rev. R. W. Petrea is pastor here. At Zion church there were eleven accessions during the year. In Pawnee City they organized last June with fourteen charter members. At Zion they have raised about $500 on their church property. The Pawnee City church, too, has paid a part of her indebtedness. The attendance at both places is good. The benevolent contributions of both churches are commendable. The pastor is encouraged.

13. *Sidney.*—Rev. E. Lee Fleck is pastor. This church has made excellent progress during the year. The attendance has been unusually good. The prayer-meetings are well attended. The financial affairs of the church are encouraging.

14. *Wayne.*—This mission was served during the greater part of the year by Rev. M. L. Melick. They had a number of accessions, and were encouraged up to the time of Bro. Melick's departure. Since then they have been vacant. This place needs a pastor at once, a man of ability and piety.

15. *West Point.*—This charge was for most of the year vacant, and much cannot be expected or possibly reported. Early in August Rev. W. A. Lipe took charge, since which time the congregation has been greatly encouraged.

W. L. REMSBERG,
W. C. McCOOL.

Resolved, That inasmuch as the members of our church at Bloomington and Franklin have largely removed, and the congregations been practically disorganized, we request the Board of Church Extension to take legal possession of the church property in these places, according to the provisions of the constitutions of these organizations, and hold the same or dispose of it according to their best judgment.

Resolved, That we earnestly request the Board of Home Missions to take steps to locate a missionary at McCook as early as possible, to give it his entire time, with such an appropriation as will give him an adequate support.

Whereas, The progress of Grace Evangelical Lutheran church at Lincoln, Neb., has been most encouraging, and the prospects for the future very bright, provided a suitable church edifice can be secured: therefore,

Resolved, That the Synod of Nebraska earnestly request the Board of Church Extension of the General Synod to make such an appropriation by gift and loan to Grace Lutheran church, Rev. L. P. Ludden, pastor, as will enable the congregation to erect a suitable church edifice at once.

By special order, the time of Synod for the remainder of the afternoon was given to Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., Western Secretary of Board of Home Missions, who addressed the Synod in the interest of the Board.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

7:30 P. M.

The public services were in the interest of Home Missions. The sermon was preached by Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D.

THIRD DAY—FIRST SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

After the usual one-half hour of devotion Synod was opened by reading Scripture and prayer.

Report of Executive Council.

1. Your Board of Trustees would call attention to the action of Synod one year ago, concerning the transfer of the Carthage College stock, and would ask what is necessary to make said transfer? The following was passed:

Resolved, That Rev. G. H. Albright, the Trustee of Carthage College, holding our stock in Carthage College, be instructed to transfer to the Trustees of Synod said stock who shall make legal transfer of the same to the Trustees of the College.

2. We would also report that the Wayne Academy indebtedness has not been settled. There is a note for one hundred dollars bearing eight per cent. interest, held by Rev. L. Knight, the interest of which was paid by our Synod. There is due Rev. W. C. McCool for services two hundred dollars, and a bill of one hundred for rent held by Mr. James Britton. Having the assurance of the Board of Education that they are willing that their property in the town of Wayne shall be used to meet this indebtedness, we offer the following:

Resolved, That this Synod request the Board of Education, through its Secretary, Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., to sell said property as soon as possible and liquidate the indebtedness.

3. We would call attention to the necessity of electing two Trustees, one to serve for two years and the other for three years.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. GRIFFITH,
W. L. REMSBERG,
W. C. McCOOL,
Committee.

Synodical Treasury Apportionment.

Your special Committee on Apportionment report that about one-half of the membership of the Synod is represented by pastors in attendance at this convention. We find on inquiry of these pastors that their charges cannot pay more than 16 cents per member for the Synodical Treasury.

1. We recommend therefore that the apportionment for Synodical Treasury be 16 cents per member.

2. We further recommend that the expenses for the present synodical year be limited to one hundred dollars ($100), and the balance of amount paid in on the above apportionment, or as much of the balance as may be necessary be applied on the present indebtedness of the Synod.

J. S. DETWEILER,
J. G. GRIFFITH,
G. A. CRANNELL.

THIRD DAY—SECOND SESSION.

FRIDAY 2 P. M.

Report of Statistical Secretary.

Your Statistical Secretary offers the following:

1. The Parochial Reports and the supplementary and State of Religion reports were sent to every member of Synod. We recommend that the following be adopted:

Resolved, That the Parochial reports be sent by the members of Synod to the Statistical Secretary not later than September 5th, in each and every year.

L. M. KUHNS, *Stat. Sec'y.*

Report of Committee on Standing Committees.

Your Committee on Standing Committees would report the following:

Advisory Board Home Missions—Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., Rev. L. P. Ludden.

Examining Committee—Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D. D., Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., Rev. W. F. Eyster, Rev. L. Groh, Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D.

Executive Council—Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., Rev. J. G. Griffith, Rev. L. P. Ludden, Mr. G. A. Crannell, 2 years, Mr. L. F. M. Easterday, 3 years.

Committee on Traveling Secretary—Rev. A. J. Turkle, Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D., Mr. Robt. Weidensall, Mr. C. J. Ernst, Rev. L. M. Kuhns, Rev. J. G. Griffith, Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy, Hon. Henry Sprick.

Education Committee—Rev. J. G. Griffith, Rev. A. J. Turkle, Rev. L. P. Ludden, Rev. W. A. Lipe, Mr. Allen Koch.

Systematic Beneficence—Rev. A. J. Turkle, Rev. L. M. Kuhns, Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy.

The time for special order having arrived, Rev. J. N. Lenker, Western Secretary Board of Church Extension, addressed the Synod in behalf of the Board.

Report of Committee on Midland College.

The Committee on Midland College reported the following:

Resolved, That it is a matter of profound gratitude that the Board of Education in establishing Midland College were careful to define the denominational status of the College as unequivocally Lutheran. The contract between the Board of Education and the city of Atchison places no restriction whatever upon the Board. From the beginning it has been understood we were founding a church institution, and the exclusive property of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America.

The Board of Trustees in framing a Constitution unhesitatingly adopted the following as part of the preamble: "Identified by its charter as well as in origin, Faculty and Board of Trustees, with the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the United States, it will and must aim to impart a liberal education amid Christian influences and after Christian methods. The Holy Scriptures, as the one supreme revelation of God, shall not only be read, but taught in their order, so as to subserve the highest mental and moral interests of the pupils. Allowing the largest liberty consistent with right, it must be the purpose of this College to be specific without being narrow, and to be loyal to the church whose name it bears without being bigoted."

Resolved, That we express our regret that the salaries of the Faculty are so long in arrears, and we hereby urge upon all our pastors the necessity of presenting the needs of the College, asking them to give liberally to the cause of Christian education, with no regard to the small amount apportioned for the work of the Board of Education, remembering that Midland will receive all the more, inasmuch as of the sum appropriated for college aid by the Board Midland College receives four-fifths.

Resolved, That we have heard with great pleasure of the recent opening of the College with an increased number of students, giving evidence that the worth of the College is being recognized and appreciated by the church, and thereby becoming favorably known to others than Lutherans.

Resolved, We are pleased to note the loyalty and enthusiasm of the students, and their desire to build up the institution they have chosen as their *Alma Mater*. There is with these young people an *esprit de corps* that promises to enrich the College with a home-grown constituency that will become one of the most productive endowments.

Resolved, That we heartily appreciate the arduous labors of President J. A. Clutz, D. D., in connection with the solicitation of funds and in the erection of the new Ladies' Hall, and with him and his colleagues in the Faculty we rejoice in the successful completion of a building at once beautiful in appearance and suitable for the care and accommodation of the young ladies in attendance; and

Resolved, That we commend this worthy enterprise to our people, urging upon them the importance of making immediate gifts to the college, for the purpose of liquidating the remaining indebtedness before the next annual commencement.

Resolved, That the matter of the contemplated Nebraska Synod professorship be pushed forward to completion as vigorously as possible, and by such agency as the Board of Trustees shall appoint; and in prosecuting this work of securing endowment we promise our support and co-operation.

Resolved, That our pastors note the day designated as the Day of Prayer for Colleges, and that it be given proper observance by presenting the cause of Christian education and asking a special collection this year, to be applied on the indebtedness for Ladies' Hall.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed on a Lutheran Reunion, to be held at Atchison, Kan., in June, 1893, and to co-operate with a like committee of the Kansas Synod in arranging a programme for the occasion.

WHEREAS, A pressing need now exists for an increase of a qualified ministry drawn from our own congregations to meet the great and growing wants of our own Synodical territory, and further delay to provide as far as possible to meet these needs will, in our judgment, be attended with loss and sacrifice; therefore,

Resolved, That we believe the time has fully come when some preparatory steps should be taken to afford the young men, especially of our own congregations, who may be willing and desirous of preparing for the holy ministry, such facilities for theological training as could be arranged for in connection with Midland College as a temporary arrangement until a complete theological seminary can be established there or elsewhere.

Resolved, That we earnestly request the Board of Education and the Trustees of Midland College to take this matter into consideration, and endeavor to make arrangements to inaugurate such work as soon as practicable, and at the least possible expense.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. GRIFFITH,
J. S. DETWEILER.
Committee.

Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., Rev. J. G. Griffith and Rev. J. W. Kimmel were constituted a Committee on Programme for Lutheran Reunion.

Report of Committee on Vacancies.

Your Committee on Vacancies would beg leave to submit the following report:

The vacancies within our bounds at this time are the following:

Nebraska City, Wilber, David City, Surprise, Rising, McCook, Bloomington, Franklin, Davenport, Wayne and Akron, Colo.

As to Nebraska City we are informed that the congregation is making an effort to secure a pastor, and it may be possible that by this time definite arrangements have been made.

Wilber has extended a call to Rev. W. Dieffenbach, which has most likely been accepted.

David City has made arrangements with Rev. S. Traver as a supply for two months. Whether permanent relationship can be entered into at the expiration of that time, we are not able to say.

McCook. We have the assurance from the Western Secretary of Home Missions, that the Board will place a man in this important field as soon as a suitable missionary can be found.

Davenport. This is a new field under the care of the Committee on Traveling Secretary. The outlook is hopeful; a large field is open to us in this locality. Efforts are put forth to secure a pastor. The committee will keep this work in charge until a settled minister can be located.

Surprise and Rising. The President of Synod has already reported on these points, hence we need not. We recommend that the President of Synod have this field supplied with preaching.

Wayne. This we regard as an important vacancy. It needs the care of our Synod. The Board of Home Missions has promised them a missionary as soon as a suitable man can be found. We recommend this field in the mean time to the care of the President of Synod.

Bloomington, Franklin and Akron, Colo. The two first mentioned places have already received the consideration of this body. At Akron there is but little except the church building. We recommend that the Western Secretary of Church Extension make a visit to this place and see what can be done with the property.

Respectfully submitted,

C. HUBER,
B. F. PUGH.

Report of Committee on the State of Religion.

Your Committee would respectfully report that they have carefully read the reports on the State of Religion placed in their hands by the pastors of the Synod. They find them full of encouragement and good cheer. Now and then there is a minor strain of discouragement and regret over small attendance at church services or Sunday-school, and general lack of interest in the things of the kingdom. But most of the pastors speak of good attendance and great profit at their prayer meetings, a very general and devout observance of the Lord's Supper and the sacrament of baptism, good and interesting Sunday-schools, active missionary societies, liberal giving, and prevailing unity and harmony and encouraging growth of spiritual life.

For all this we have great reason as a Synod for gratitude to God for the blessings and progress of the past year, and we should feel encouraged and stimulated to ask and expect still larger and richer blessings and prosperity in the year to come. All God's promises are yea and amen in Christ Jesus. Faithful work and a working faith will not be unrewarded or unfruitful. Let us, therefore, go back to our several fields resolved to stand in our places and do with our might what our hands find to do, assured that our labors will not be in vain in the Lord. Let us aim at larger and better things. Let us ask

for still richer blessings. Let us expect still greater success, and He whose we are and whom we serve, will not disappoint us.

JACOB A. CLUTZ,
L. GROH,
S. B. STOUGH.

THIRD DAY—EVENING SESSION.

FRIDAY, 7 : 30 P. M.

The sermon this evening was on Church Extension by Rev. C. W. Baker.

He was followed by an address from Rev. J. N. Lenker, Western Secretary of the Board.

WHEREAS, It is the judgment of this Synod that our Home Mission and Church Extension work would be greatly promoted by a more liberal policy on the part of the Board of Church Extension in the use of the Donation Fund, and also in the collection of loans made to mission churches; therefore,

Resolved, That we instruct our delegation to the General Synod to urge the propriety of dividing all the regular contributions for Church Extension in the apportionment equally between the Loan and Donation Funds, and to ask that the Board of Church Extension be instructed not to press the collection of loans to mission churches before they have become self-sustaining.

FOURTH DAY—FIRST SESSION.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

Synod spent one-half hour in a devotional service, when Synod was formally opened by reading Scripture and prayer.

Report of Committee on Excuses.

Your Committee on Excuses would report that we had placed in our hands letters from the following brethren, which we regard as sufficient excuse for their absence, and recommend that they be excused: Revs. Siekman, Fritze, Opsal, Augustine, Knight, Schnur, Yockel, Kuhlman, Aughey, Diven, Link; *lay*, Daniel Easterday, L. H. Corty and J. Bender.

We do not regard the excuse of Revs. Rumpf and Ludwig sufficient, and recommend that they be not excused.

G. H. ALBRIGHT,
W. H. NAFFZIGER.

Report of Committee on Apportionment.

	No. of Members	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Church Extension	Board of Education	Pastors' Fund	General Synod	Beneficiary Education	Synodical Treasury	Grand Total
Per Member		25	25	25	07	05	02	24	16	
Auburn, Neb.	79	$19 75	$19 75	$19 75	$5 53	$3 95	$1 58	$18 96	$12 64	$101 91
Beatrice, Neb.	65	16 25	16 25	16 25	4 55	3 25	1 30	15 60	10 40	83 85
Benedict, Neb. (Bethel)	30	7 50	7 50	7 50	2 10	1 50	60	7 20	4 80	48 70
Benedict, Neb. (Zion's)	46	11 50	11 50	11 50	3 22	2 30	92	11 44	7 36	59 34
Bruning	7	1 75	1 75	1 75	49	35	14	1 68	1 12	9 03
Davenport	35	8 75	8 75	8 75	2 45	1 75	70	8 40	5 60	45 15
Dakota co. (Salem)	70	17 50	17 50	17 50	4 90	3 50	1 40	16 70	11 20	90 30
Dakota co. (Homer)	17	4 25	4 25	4 25	1 19	85	34	3 98	2 65	21 93
Dakota City. (Emanuel)	29	7 25	7 25	7 23	2 03	1 45	58	6 96	4 64	47 41
Dakota Co. (South Sioux City)	5	1 25	1 25	1 25	35	25	10	1 20	80	6 45
David City	20	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 40	1 00	40	4 80	3 20	25 80
Grand Island (Eng.)	42	10 50	10 50	10 50	2 94	2 10	84	10 08	6 72	54 18
Grand Island (Ger.)	45	11 25	11 25	11 25	3 15	2 25	90	10 80	7 20	58 05
Hastings Island (Rev. Fritze)	31	7 75	7 75	7 75	2 17	1 55	62	7 44	4 96	49 99
Hastings (Rev. Sickman)	32	8 00	8 00	8 00	2 24	1 60	64	7 68	5 12	50 28
Kearney	18	4 50	4 50	4 50	1 26	90	36	4 22	2 84	23 22
Lexington	13	3 25	3 25	3 25	91	65	26	3 12	2 08	16 17
Lincoln (St. Mark's)	46	11 50	11 50	11 50	3 22	2 30	92	11 04	7 36	59 34
Lincoln (Grace)	61	15 25	15 25	15 25	4 27	3 05	1 22	14 64	9 76	78 69
McCook	12	3 00	3 00	3 00	84	60	24	2 76	1 92	15 48
Nebraska City	85	21 25	21 25	21 25	5 95	4 25	1 70	20 40	13 60	109 65
North Platte	77	19 25	19 25	19 25	5 69	3 85	1 54	18 48	12 32	99 33
Oakland (Trinity)	12	3 00	3 00	3 00	84	60	24	2 88	1 92	15 48
Oakland (Grace)	38	9 50	9 50	9 50	2 66	1 90	76	9 12	6 04	49 02
Omaha (Kountze Memorial)	204	51 00	51 00	51 00	14 28	10 20	4 08	48 96	32 64	263 16
Omaha (St. Mark's)	62	15 50	15 50	15 50	4 34	3 10	1 24	14 88	9 92	79 98
Omaha (Grace)	54	13 50	13 50	13 50	3 78	2 70	1 08	12 96	8 64	69 66
Orleans, Neb.										
Pawnee Co. (Zion)	15	3 75	3 75	3 75	1 05	75	30	3 60	2 40	19 35
Pawnee City	14	3 50	3 50	3 50	98	70	28	3 37	2 24	18 06
Ponca	86	21 50	21 50	21 50	6 02	4 30	1 72	20 64	13 76	110 94
Potter, Neb.										
Rising City	20	5 00	5 00	5 00	1 40	1 00	40	4 80	3 20	25 80
Roca	39	9 75	9 75	9 75	2 73	1 95	78	9 37	6 24	50 31
Rockport, Mo.	75	18 75	18 75	18 75	5 25	3 75	1 50	18 00	12 00	96 75
Sabetha, Kan. (St. Paul)	43	10 75	10 75	10 75	3 10	2 15	86	10 32	6 88	55 47
Sabetha, Kan. (Zion)	19	4 75	4 75	4 75	1 33	95	38	4 36	3 04	24 51
Sidney, Neb.	41	10 25	10 25	10 25	2 87	2 10	82	9 43	6 56	52 89
Stella	78	19 50	19 50	19 50	5 46	3 90	1 56	18 72	12 48	100 62
St. Joseph, Mo.	130	32 50	32 50	32 50	9 10	6 50	2 60	31 20	36 80	167 70
Surprise	34	8 50	8 50	8 50	2 38	1 70	68	18 16	5 44	43 86
Tekamah	50	12 50	12 50	12 50	3 50	2 50	1 00	12 00	8 00	64 50
Waverly	53	13 25	13 25	13 25	3 71	2 65	1 06	12 72	8 48	68 50
Wayne	60	15 00	15 00	15 00	4 20	3 00	1 20	14 40	9 60	77 40
West Point	58	14 50	14 50	14 50	4 06	2 90	1 16	13 92	9 28	74 82
Wilber, Neb.	36	9 00	9 00	9 00	2 52	1 80	72	8 64	5 76	46 44
Yutan, Neb.	40	10 00	10 00	10 00	2 80	2 00	80	9 60	6 40	51 60
Totals	2126	532 00	532 00	532 00	148 82	106 30	42 52	510 24	340 16	$2742 54

D. Z. FOULK, C. W. BAKER, *Committee.*

Report of Committee on Synodical Calendar.

SPEAKERS FOR NEXT YEAR.

Primarii.	*Home Missions.*	*Secundi.*
Rev. E. Lee Fleck,		Rev. P. B. Holtgreve.
	Foreign Missions.	
Rev. W. A. Lipe,		Rev. C. W. Baker.
	Church Extension.	
Rev. W. C. McCool,		Rev. D. Z. Foulk.
	Education.	
Rev. A. J. Turkle,		Rev. H. J. Hapeman.
	Communion.	
Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D.,		Rev. L. P. Ludden.
	Ordination.	
Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D.,		Rev. W. F. Eyster.

On motion, the Committee on Systematic Beneficence were instructed to make every reasonable effort to have vacant congregations raise something for benevolence during the Synodical year.

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers.

Your Committee on Letters and Papers would respectfully report as follows:

1. A letter from Geo. H. Knollenberg, treasurer of the Board of the German Theological Seminary at Chicago, states that only $145 have been paid by members of this Synod.

We hereby urge the brethren who subscribed and have not yet paid to take early action in this matter to meet their obligation, as the Seminary is in great need of funds.

We recommend that the list of subscribers be called, so that we may know who are the delinquents.

2. Two letters from Rev. H. H. Weber, General Secretary of the Board of Church Extension. As Rev. J. N. Lenker is present with us, the interests of the Board have received attention of Synod.

We express anew our hearty interest in the work of the Board and our purpose to continue our active co-operation.

3. Two letters from Rev. E. J. Hall.

(1) The Committee recommend that the censure of last Synod for absence be removed.

(2) Inasmuch as he was dismissed to the California Synod, we recommend that the action of the President of Synod in so doing be approved.

4. Several letters from Rev. H. O. Opsal, asking to be excused and stating his financial embarrassment and sickness.

(1) We recommend that he unite with the Rocky Mountain Synod, within whose territory he resides.

(2) We recommend all further appeals for aid be referred to the Rocky Mountain Synod.

(3) We recommend that he be informed of our action in reference to his uniting with the Rocky Mountain Synod.

H. W. KUHNS,
H. J. HAPEMAN,
C. HUBER.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Inasmuch as their is no immediate prospect of establishing the Omaha Theological Seminary, as contemplated by the General Synod at Lebanon, Pa., owing to the fact that the original donor of the fund, Mr. A. Kountze, departed this life before the necessary conditions were fulfilled and without any provisions for the future; therefore,

Resolved, That we urge upon the Board of Education the necessity of establishing a Theological Seminary at the earliest practicable date; and

Resolved, That we earnestly request the Board of Education to make an effort to secure suitable location for such institution west of the Mississippi on the most favorable conditions.

Resolved, That we advise the practicability of an early opening of such institution, and on a scale in keeping with our ability to sustain a faculty and provide suitable accommodations for the students.

TEMPERANCE AND SABBATH.

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the action of the Fifty-Second Congress in keeping the gates of the Columbian Exposition closed on the Lord's day, and that we hereby accept the offer of Rev. A. J. Turkle to superintend the work of securing signatures of the people urging Congress still to maintain the noble stand they have already taken.

MINUTES.

Resolved, That the Secretary of Synod be instructed to have 600 copies of minutes printed for distribution at a cost not to exceed $75, exclusive of the amount contributed by the W. H. and F. M. Society, including delivery.

TIME OF CONVENTION.

Resolved, That the next Convention of this Synod open with the President's sermon and preparatory service on Tuesday evening (third week in September, 1893), and that the Synodical communion take place at 9:30 a. m., Wednesday.

THANKS.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Convention are due and hereby tendered the pastor, members and friends of Salem Evangelical Lutheran church of Ponca, for the cordial welcome and hospitable entertainment enjoyed during our sojourn with them.

Resolved, That the President of Synod make this resolution known to the congregation at the close of Sunday evening service.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. DETWEILER,
L. P. LUDDEN.

Books for Christian Endeavor and Lutheran Alliance Societies.

Your Committee on recommending books for Societies of Christian Endeavor and Lutheran Alliance, beg leave to suggest the following books for their instruction and edification:

The Way of Salvation in the Lutheran Church, Rev. G. H. Gerberding; Life Thoughts for Young Men, Rev. M. Rhodes, D. D.; Life Thoughts for Young Women, Rev. M. Rhodes, D. D.; The Christian Religion, G. P. Fisher, D. D.; In His Steps, J. R. Miller, D. D.; The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life, H. W. S.; Addresses by Prof. Henry Drummond—all of which can be procured from our Lutheran Publication Society.

A. J. TURKLE,
L. P. LUDDEN,
JACOB A. CLUTZ.

FOURTH DAY—SECOND SESSION.

SATURDAY, 2 P. M.

Time and Place of Next Meeting.

Synod entered upon the time and place of next meeting, which resulted in Lincoln, St. Mark's congregation, as the place, and Tuesday evening of the third week in September as the time.

Election of Delegates to General Synod.

Synod then entered upon the election of five clerical and five lay delegates to the General Synod at its next convention at Canton, Ohio, May 24th, 1893, which resulted as follows:

CLERICAL.

Primarii.	*Alternates.*
Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., Atchison, Kan.	J. G. Griffith, Stella.
Rev. A. J. Turkle, Omaha.	C. W. Baker, South Auburn.
Rev. H. W. Kuhns, D.D., Omaha.	C. Huber, Omaha.
Rev. W. C. McCool, Ponca.	J. W. Kimmel, Tekamah.
Rev. L. P. Ludden, Lincoln.	J. G. Groenmiller, Rockport, Mo.

LAY.

Primarii.	*Alternates.*
J. F. Wilhelmy, Omaha.	Robt. Weidensall, Yutan.
C. J. Ernst, Lincoln.	U. J. Martz, Waverly.
G. A. Crannell, Tekamah.	E. Keim, Sabetha, Kan.
S. P. Mikesell, Ponca.	U. Bruner, West Point.
W. H. Hogrefe, Stella.	L. F. M. Easterday, Lincoln.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year:

President—Rev. J. S. Detweiler, D. D.

Secretary—Rev. L. P. Ludden.

Statistical Secretary—Rev. Luther M. Kuhns.

Treasurer—Mr. J. F. Wilhelmy.

No further business awaiting the action of Synod, as per rule of this body, the newly elected officers were conducted to their places, and the business sessions of this convention closed in due form.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

LUTHERAN CHURCH.

11 a. m., Communion: Rev. W. A. Lipe.

2 p. m., German: Rev. J. G. Groenmiller.

4 p. m., Temperance: Rev. R. W. Petrea.

7:30 p. m., Ordination: Rev. W. F. Eyster.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

11 a. m., Rev. J. N. Lenker.

7:30 p. m., Paul B. Holtgreve.

METHODIST CHURCH.

11 a. m., Rev. G. H. Albright.

7:30 p. m., Rev. D. Z. Foulk.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

3 p. m., Rev. H. J. Hapeman.

After divine services Sunday evening, Synod finally adjourned, to meet in St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran church of Lincoln, Neb., Rev. L. Groh, pastor, on Tuesday evening of the third week in September.

W. C. McCOOL, *Secretary.*

(Western Conference.)

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F. W. Buehler, Glenville	Evan. Lu. St. Paul's.	1	..	..	..	19	2	..	..	16	..	14	..	..	50	$1500 00	.....	$484 60		1
E. Lee Fleck, Sidney	Trinity	1	1	1	..	..	..	3	1	5	..	2	6	..	41	6000 00	800 00	850 00		2
C. A. Fritze, Hastings	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	13	11	3	..	38	1	1	1	..	112	1550 00	650 00	45 00		3
D. Z. Foulk, Grand Island	St. Paul's Eng. Luth.	1	..	1	..	10	2	7	..	12	3	8	1	..	42	20000 00	2450 00	1475 87		4
Fred. Gaert, Grand Island	St. Paul's (Ger.)	1	1	..	..	19	..	6	..	83	..	14	2	..	45	2500 00	750 00	450 00		5
J. F. Kuhlman, North Platte	First Ev. Lutheran	1	..	1	..	9	..	5	20	12	..	4	..	..	77	8000 00	475 00	1107 58		6
W. H. Naffziger, Kearney	Kearney	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	1	..	1	..	18	.....	.....	.....		7
	Lexington	1	..	..	..	18	1	..	..	6	..	18	1	..	13	.....	.....	220 40		8
Total		8	2	3	..	80	16	24	21	178	5	61	12	..	398	$29550 00	$6125 00	$4033 45		9
Total 1891		12	7	2	..	61	26	6	12	234	4	31	1	..	508	81000 00	14000 00	5982 68		10
Increase		..	..	1	..	19	..	18	9	..	1	30	11	..	..	.....	.....	.....		11
Decrease		4	5	..	..	..	10	..	..	56	..	..	..	..	110	$41450 00	$7875 00	$1349 23		12
(North Platte Conference.)																				
J. S. Detweiler, D. D., 2518 Davenport st., Omaha	St. Mark's	1	..	4	1	7	1	3	..	6	..	6	5	..	62	$3600 00	$900 00	$1041 56		13
H. J. Hapeman, Dakota City	Emanuel's	1	..	1	..	..	..	3	..	5	3	8	5	..	29	1200 00	.....	262 21		14
	Salem (Dak. Co.)	1	..	1	2	40	..	14	..	3	8	9	..	..	70	3500 00	.....	850 00		15
C. Huber, 1819 Pinkney st., Omaha	St. Paul's (Homer)	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	17	850 00	.....	325 00		16
	(No charge.)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....			17
H. J. Karpenstein, Ponca	Salem and St. John's	2	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	24	..	6	..	..	70	3200 00	.....	1400 00		18

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1	1	..	....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	$10 39	$10 00	$10 00	.....	$6 00	.....	.....	.....	$10 00	$46 39	$330 90
2	1	..	7	55	$50 00	$20 00	$0 74	$4 92	9 25	9 25	9 25	2 59	4 92	.....	$1 85	$4 50	80 00	127 27	977 27
3	1	..	12	142	.....	....	4 00	8 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	40 00	95 00
4	1	..	12	136	213 00	.....	.....	3 50	12 25	6 25	7 16	2 59	4 92	$16 71	1 00	.....	.....	54 38	1530 25
5	1	..	1	20	.....	.....	98	7 84	12 25	12 25	12 25	3 43	7 84	.....	2 45	.....	15 00	74 29	524 29
6	1	..	6	70	52 52	24 44	1 00	5 00	26 50	8 68	22 00	3 00	15 68	.....	3 00	5 56	.....	90 42	1198 00
7	1	..	2	18	2 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8	1	..	2	23	.....	.....	.....	3 60	2 69	3 50	2 70	.....	1 66	.....	1 58	.....	.....	15 73	15 73
9	8	..	42	514	$605 52	$44 44	$6 72	$32 86	$77 33	$53 93	$68 36	$11 61	$41 02	$16 71	$9 88	$10 06	$120 00	$448 75	$4872 53
10	5	..	41	457	327 54	17 83	1 76	10 70	33 25	54 75	30 93	5 11	7 30	.....	1 85	5 00	18 00	168 65	6478 87
11	3		1	57	$277 98	$20 61	$4 96	$22 16	$44 08	.....	$37 43	$6 50	$33 72	$16 71	$8 03	$5 06	$112 00	$280 10	.....
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13	1	..	15	110	$58 54	$58 55	$1 34	$10 72	$24 08	$35 69	$19 76	$8 10	$21 80	$84 02	$8 50	$15 21	$95 60	$324 82	$1366 38
14	1	..	11	60	56 21	7 53	32	1 56	4 00	4 00	7 53	1 13	1 59	10 00	80	.....	50 00	80 93	343 14
15	1	..	12	85	50 00	16 00	1 35	5 00	10 75	16 75	16 75	5 25	17 45	2 35	.....	.....	91 25	166 90	1016 90
16	1	..	7	30	2 00	5 00	38	3 04	4 75	4 75	4 75	1 43	3 05	.....	95	.....	27 00	50 10	375 10
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18	2	..	10	40	5 00	.....	1 30	.....	16 60	16 25	16 60	4 55	10 95	.....	.....	.....	91 75	158 00	1558 00

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J. W. Kimmel, Tekamah	Emanuel's(Tekam'h)	1	2	1	..	....	....	....	....	5	....	1	3	..	50	$2000 00	.....	$400 00			19
	Grace.	1	..	1	1	9	....	....	....	4	....	....	1	..	38	1800 00	.....	350 00			20
	Oakland.	1	..	..	1	....	....	....	....	6	....	....	....	..	12	1800 00	.....	100 00			21
H. W. Kuhns, D. D., 2433 Franklin St., Omaha	No charge	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	7	....	....	....	..	....	.....	.....	.....			22
Luther M. Kuhns, 2539 Pierce St., Omaha	Grace.	1	..	2	..	12	....	2	....	4	1	3	1	..	53	10000 00	$350 00	968 94			23
W. A. Lipe, West Point	Grace.	1	..	1	..	....	....	....	....	8	1	....	....	..	58	5000 00	800 00	321 00			24
A. T. Ludwig, West Point	No charge	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	.....	.....			25
W. C. McCool, Ponca	Salem and Immanuel	1	..	1	1	15	1	2	....	7	2	3	5	..	86	10000 00	.....	4950 00			26
A. J. Turkle, 511 S. 25th Ave., Omaha	Kountze Memorial.	1	1	2	..	32	4	12	....	15	2	23	4	11	304	132000 00	19000 00	5335 00			27
J. N. Zimmer, Elk City	No charge	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	.....	.....			28
Wayne (Vacant).	St. Paul.	1	1	1	..	15	....	15	....	7	....	5	4	9	60	3200 00	.....	500 00			29
Total		15	5	15	6	130	8	51	3	102	19	64	28	20	809	$178150 00	21350 00	$16843 71			30
Total 1891.		16	2	13	4	191	9	33	7	80	34	96	26	15	791	171425 00	20800 00	15532 65			31
Increase		..	3	2	2	....	....	18	....	22	....	....	....	5	....	$6725 00	$450 00	$1311 06			32
Decrease		1	..	..	..	61	1	....	4	....	15	32	2	..	18	.....	.....	.....			33
(South Platte Conference.)																					
G. H. Albright, 303 S. 26th St., Lincoln	Zion's (Surprise).	1	..	1	1	....	....	1	....	2	1	....	....	..	34	$2000 00	$250 00	$730 00			34
C. W. Baker, Auburn	St. Paul's.	1	1	2	..	13	1	1	10	7	1	1	8	..	79	6000 00	.....	523 77			35
W. F. Eyster, Crete	No charge	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	.....	.....			36

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19	1	..	10	100	$50 00	$7 25	$1 00	$7 50	$11 29	$15 25	$12 35	$3 30	$7 52	$14 45	$2 35	$5 00	$10 00	$91 91	$491 91
20	1	..	8	80	30 00	4 25	.....	5 90	9 25	13 80	9 25	3 00	5 92	13 90	1 85	4 20	13 00	80 07	430 07
21	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	4 25	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 25	117 25
22	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	4 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	8 00
23	1	..	13	130	30 98	7 50	50	6 00	5 00	6 00	7 00	1 25	5 00	.....	1 00	1 00	44 00	76 75	1045 69
24	1	..	20	210	122 00	.....	1 95	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	12 00	.....	.....	.....	43 35	364 35
25	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26	1	1	10	180	250 00	24 00	1 62	12 96	20 25	20 25	20 25	5 67	12 96	46 80	4 05	8 00	15 00	167 81	5117 81
27	2	..	31	325	230 00	137 00	6 53	29 36	57 58	58 21	55 00	25 15	49 50	157 00	10 00	21 00	725 00	1194 33	6529 33
28	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
29	1	..	10	56	20 00	28 00	.....	.....	8 00	4 00	9 00	.....	4 56	12 00	.....	6 00	15 00	58 56	558 56
30	14	1	157	1406	$749 73	$295 08	$17 29	$91 04	$173 55	$204 95	$187 49	$63 83	$149 30	$352 52	$29 50	$60 41	$1177 60	$2518 78	$19320 49
31	14	1	163	1240	1055 90	406 00	22 60	77 94	188 45	208 66	180 43	65 13	91 94	412 32	33 20	60 54	1470 15	2804 94	19395 49
32	..	..	.....	166	.....	.....	.....	$13 10	.....	.....	$7 06	.....	$52 36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
33	..	..	6	....	$306 17	$110 92	$5 31	.....	$14 88	$3 11	.....	$1 30	.....	$59 80	$3 70	$0 13	$292 55	$286 16	$75 00
34	1	.	8	72	$32 50	$2 12	$0 68	$3 00	$2 50	$2 00	$2 66	$2 38	$4 54	.....	.....	.....	$5 00	$21 76	$751 76
35	2	..	20	210	32 07	23 77	1 62	3 98	22 46	20 25	20 25	5 67	12 96	$55 80	.....	.....	12 50	155 55	679 32
36	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

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A.C.Gearhart, University Place	Trinity (Waverly)	1	..	2	..	22	....	....	....	8	1	....	....	..	53	$2500 00	.....	$195 29	37
J. G. Griffith, Stella	No charge	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	.....	.....	38
L. Groh, Lincoln	St. Mark's	1	..	1	..	23	....	....	1	3	2	3	15	..	46	7000 00	.....	3150 00	39
P. B. Holtgreve, Stella	Trinity	1	2	1	1	10	....	1	17	3	6	3	6	..	78	4000 00	.....	1400 00	40
L. Knight, Yutan	No charge	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	....	.....	.....	.....	41
J. H. Link, Roca	Zion's	1	..	..	..	15	....	1	....	5	....	....	1	..	39	2500 00	.....	527 40	42
L. P. Ludden, 1336 D St., Lincoln	Grace	1	..	3	..	25	1	....	....	8	1	17	11	..	61	.....	.....	694 86	43
R. W. Petrea, Pawnee	Zion	1	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	5	3	..	15	2000 00	$385 00	.....	44
	Pawnee City	1	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	14	1000 00	150 00	.....	45
B. F. Pugh, Sabetha, Kan.	St. Paul's (Pleasant Hill)	1	..	1	..	....	....	7	....	5	....	....	....	..	43	2000 00	.....	375 50	46
	Zion's	1	1	..	..	7	....	1	....	4	1	....	8	2	19	.....	.....	115 50	47
W. L. Remsberg, Beatrice	Trinity	1	..	2	1	10	1	3	5	8	2	7	6	..	65	7000 00	2300 00	500 00	48
G. H. Schnur, Yutan	Zion's	1	..	2	..	3	2	5	....	12	2	3	2	..	40	4000 00	.....	783 00	49
R. A. White, Benedict	Zion's	1	..	1	..	6	....	....	2	....	....	2	6	..	40	3000 00	310 00	1073 16	50
	Bethel	1	..	..	..	5	....	2	2	....	....	1	1	..	30	1800 00	75 00	513 53	51
Vacant, Davenport		..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	35	.....	.....	.....	52
Vacant, Bruning		..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	..	7	.....	.....	.....	53
Vacant, David City		1	..	1	..	....	....	6	2	....	....	2	....	..	62	4000 00	900 00	322 18	54
Vacant, Nebraska City		1	..	1	..	7	....	2	8	10	....	7	3	..	85	5000 00	350 00	884 08	55
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Index Number.	SUNDAY-SCHOOL.						BENEVOLENCE.												
	Lutheran.	Union.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Contributions: For Support of School and Local Objects.	Contributions: For Benevolence.	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.	Woman's Missionary Society.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.	Grand Total.
37	1	1	18	140	$20 95	$3 08	$0 96	$7 68	$12 00	$12 00	$12 00	$3 36	$7 68	$3 35	$2 40	$6 40	$21 72	$89 82	$785 11
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44	1	..	5	20	10 00	.....	16	1 30	2 00	2 00	3 60	.....	1 90	.....	40	4 75	8 83	24 94	34 94
45	1	..	4	22	12 00	.....	16	1 30	2 00	2 00	2 30	.....	1 90	.....	40	5 25	14 17	30 48	42 48
46	1	..	8	35	25 00	2 00	60	4 00	9 00	8 00	8 00	3 60	4 00	.....	2 00	.....	24 00	63 20	438 70
47	1	..	9	40	11 00	.....	36	3 68	3 00	4 00	6 00	3 00	3 68	6 00	40	1 00	47 00	78 12	193 62
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49	2	..	16	95	25 00	14 55	1 00	10 00	12 90	83 00	51 00	2 80	6 40	47 25	2 00	8 25	175 50	400 10	1183 10
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Pastor's Name and Address.	Congregations, Names of.	Parochial.																Finances.			Index No. see line with corresponding No. on page below.
		Churches.	Stations.	Prayer Meetings.	Students for Ministry.	Catechumens.	Losses.			Accessions.								Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for All Objects.	
							Death.	Certificate.	Excommunication and other losses.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Restoration.	Communicant Membership.						
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60	..	..	....	....	.....	.....	.....	$2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$2 00
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CALENDAR, 1892–1893.

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MRS. C. W. BAKER, South Auburn.

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MRS. P. B. HOLTGREVE, Stella.

WESTERN.

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MRS. W. A. HEIMBERGER, Grand Island.

PLACE OF NEXT CONVENTION.

Beatrice, Neb.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE

SYNOD OF NEBRASKA.

HELD AT

AUBURN, NEB., SEPTEMBER 20th, 21st, and 22d, 1892.

FIRST SESSION.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 20TH, 3 P. M.

The Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of Synod of Nebraska met in St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, Auburn, Neb., September 20th, 1892, at 3 p. m.

The President, Mrs. C. W. Baker, opened the Convention, using Order of Service No. 7 in Manual. The Recording Secretary, Miss M. Leisenring, being absent, Mrs. S. S. Reigle, of Omaha, was appointed Secretary *pro tem.*

The following delegates were enrolled:

Auburn—Mrs. Ed Juel, Mrs. H. W. Dryer.
Beatrice—Mrs. W. L. Remsberg, Mrs. Milton Davis.
Lincoln, St. Mark's—Mrs. Isabella Bollshaw, Miss J. Whitmore.
Lincoln, Grace—Mrs. S. C. Crounse, Miss Ellen Cromwell.
Omaha, Kountze Memorial—Mrs. L. Allen, Mrs. S. S. Riegle.
Omaha, St. Mark's—Miss Emma Sastrom, Mrs. P. J. Nichols.
Omaha, St. Matthew's—Miss Josie Frost.

Omaha, Kountze Memorial Mission Band—Mrs. H. J. Penfold.

Omaha, St. Mark's Mission Band—Mrs. J. S. Detweiler.

Omaha, Von Bora Mission Band—Miss H. B. Swobe.

Oakland, Grace—Miss Sedsels Larson.

Stella—Mrs. S. Jamison, Mrs. H. Martin.

Stella, Mission Band—Miss Blanche McMullen.

Sabetha, Kans.—Mrs. B. F. Pugh, Mrs. J. M. Shenkelberger.

Yutan—Miss Lydia Bender, Miss Mary Knight.

Tekamah—Mrs. J. W. Kimmel, Mrs. G. A. Crannell.

Wilber—Mrs. A. P. Thomsen.

Lincoln, St. Mark's Mission Band—Mrs. W. A. Pike.

Auburn, Jubilee Mission Band—Miss Katie Maclay.

Visitors Present.

Beatrice—Miss Lizzie Leisher, Rev. W. L. Remsberg.

Omaha—Mrs. J. B. Bruner.

Tekamah—Rev. J. W. Kimmel.

Auburn—Rev. C. W. Baker.

Lincoln—Mrs. G. H. Albright, Mrs. L. F. M. Easterday.

A devotional service conducted by Miss H. B. Swobe closed the session.

SECOND SESSION.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH, 7:30 P. M.

The opening services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Baker.

The President then read her annual address.

President's Address.

Dear Sisters in the Lord: After a short twelve months of labor in the noblest cause on earth, we are assembled for the thirteenth time as a convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Synod of Nebraska. We are here to compare results, gather enthusiasm and mingle prayers, and glad, indeed, are we that so many have gathered here; and I am sure that I speak the sentiments of all our people when I assure you that you are most heartily welcome, and that we all feel highly honored by your presence.

The members and friends of this congregation, in whose homes you are being entertained, have looked forward to this time with eager anticipations, and, I am sure, will place their best at your disposal. Hence it is my privilege and pleasure to welcome all to our city, our homes and our hearts.

But as your President, it is my chief joy to welcome you in the name of our dear Master to the grand feast, which every effort of each Society and Band in our Synodical Organization has, by faithful and patient work during the year just closing, helped to prepare. Indeed, if we have been thoroughly consecrated to the cause which brings us together, and have, by God's help, achieved a measure of success, we will be eager to tell, in report and in conversation, of the difficulties overcome and the progress made.

To me it seems that these annual conventions should be nothing less than sumptuous "Mission Feasts," where enthusiasm born of achievement united with "zeal according to knowledge," should bring before our limited vision, rich viands of heavenly manna, gathered in our foreign field by noble self-sacrifice and true devotion, seasoned with the "spicy breezes" of self-consecration and prayer, and wafted hither "From Africa's sunny fountains" and "India's coral strand."

And from our home field should be collected much soul-cheering, spirit-refreshing, praise-inspiring intelligence concerning the churches maintained by our noble women and pictured in such a clear light that all could see that the Woman's Missions are standing as beacon lights for weary travelers; and could rejoice that from the Lakes in the east to the mighty Pacific in the west, souls are being brought to Christ by the aid of the noble women of our beloved Zion.

Dear sisters, let us fervently and believingly pray for that true missionary spirit which the Saviour and his apostles manifested. For "Christ came not to be ministered unto, but to minister and give his life a ransom for many." While the apostles "went about" in "every city" and "every village" and the "regions round about" "preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ." When this spirit of missionary zeal is upon us, then will our auxilliary meetings become rallying centres for the ladies of our churches, and our conventions will become enthusiastic gatherings to summarize what all of us together have been permitted, by divine help, to accomplish. That something worthy of our contemplation has been accomplished during the past year all are well aware; but lest some things be overlooked, permit me to say that all our missionaries in India are at their post of duty, and are our messengers to the million souls in the Lutheran district in that far off clime. Already the Woman's Hospital is assuming shape, and it will not be long until our General Literature Committee will have for sale photographs of that building which has so long been but an undefined hope. And what a boon it will prove to the poor secluded women of India when they can enjoy the blessings which will flow to them in a constant stream of loving ministrations, a stream whose myriad sources are the liberal souls of American Lutheran women. Are we not glad that we cheerfully helped in this blessed work? And should we not be willing to help

furnish and equip it in the best possible way? Let us think upon that word "equip," and hope that like the "Susquehanna (Pa.), Synodical Society," which is making an effort to raise one thousand dollars to endow a bed in the hospital, we too may do something some time towards furnishing it for efficient work.

The other branches of our work under Miss Dryden, Miss Kistler, and Miss Sadtler are progressing finely, and their cheering letters in the "Journal" fill our hearts with gratitute to our loving Saviour, who is causing His great commission to be fulfilled, at least in a measure, through the efforts of His handmaidens.

In Africa our work is taking a new departure, and we will soon, I trust, have a splendid dormitory, which will be a fitting memorial to the liberality of interested women, of whom I hope Nebraska will have not a few.

Of our six missions in the home field, Denver is now vacant, but hopes soon to have as regular pastor Rev. C. W. Heisler, to whom a call has been extended. All have made progress during the year, and are the pride of our Lutheran church. Oakland and San José are making strenuous efforts to secure funds towards building churches, while Sacramento is pushing its church building towards completion. Let us rejoice that all our missions are the centre of a constantly growing influence for good, and be ready to help whenever any help may be needed.

The work in our own Synod is very encouraging, as will be seen from the various reports to be offered at this convention, and which I do not deem it necessary to anticipate.

But good as our showing is for the year, there is no reason why it should not be better. In many of the Societies there seems to be a lack of knowledge as to the minor details of the work, and everything is conducted too much on general principles. The nice Christian courtesies, which are such excellent conscience clearers, are seldom indulged in, and the result is a feeling of guilt towards the various officers and chairmen of committees, and this in turn produces as a natural result a degree of carelessness and inefficiency which is simply alarming when we remember that the cause is the same Lord's who "shall try every man's work of what sort it is, and render a reward according to the deeds done in the body." It may seem the merest trifle of an omission to neglect to answer an official communication which pleads for a reply, but in reality it is discourteous to the individual thus treated and disloyalty to the Society of which she is an official, while it discourages and retards the work to a degree not to be estimated. It is contact and correspondence with each other that keeps our zeal and enthusiasm alive, and with this omitted we are out of touch with the throbbing activity of all missionary work. Dear sisters, I hope and pray you will bear this in mind in the future, and I am sure that all communications from the officers and committees will be answered promptly and fully, and the work thus made more easy and more fruitful.

And just here I desire to say a word concerning the monthly meeting.

"How to make it most interesting?" has been and is to many societies a puzzling question. And, though I do not presume to answer it in detail, I want to say that my experience has proved that by following the plan laid down in the "Journal" and "Mission Studies" (prefaced by a service from the "Manual" and interspersed with hymns and prayers), the interest has grown until it became absorbing, and everyone went home feeling they had been with Jesus and received a blessing. More Christ, more Christ, more Christ, is the cry of the human soul, and nothing short of Christ will interest and satisfy it. Let each member try to bring Christ with her to the meeting and the question will be answered.

But lest I weary you I will offer the following recommendations for the Convention to consider:

1. I would recommend that all stationery for the use of officers and committees be furnished by the Synodical Society, and that the name and address of each officer and chairman of standing committees be printed on the letter head.

2. That each Auxiliary appoint an executive committee which shall meet one week prior to the regular monthly meeting, and, after a season of prayer, arrange the program and assign the parts for the meeting.

3. That the roll of delegates be called with a view to fixing upon a uniform day and hour for the regular monthly meeting.

4. That action be taken on the following, taken from page 218 August "Journal;" "Let every Synodical Convention decide at the coming meeting what proportion of the amount for special objects it can assume, and instruct its delegate to the coming General Convention at Omaha to that effect, so that the matter can be finally settled."

5. That all supplies for Auxiliaries and Bands be ordered through our Synodical Literature Committee.

And now, in conclusion let me urge upon you the importance of attending all the sessions of this Convention, and do everything you can to make it the success it should be. We are here to give to the Convention as well as to get from it.

I beg your kind indulgence and assistance in the discharge of the duties of my office. As I have never had any experience in presiding over so important a body, I hope you will bear with me, and excuse, as far as possible, any mistakes I may make.

Thanking you all for your kind co-operation and help during the year, I bespeak for my successor your prayers, your sympathy and your faithful assistance during the coming year.

Miss Mary Knight, of Yutan, favored the Convention with a vocal solo, after which the President appointed the following:

List of Committees.

No. 1. *On Letters and Papers*—Mrs. J. B. Bruner, Mrs. H. Martin and Mrs. Milton Davis.

No. 2. *On Reports of Officers and Standing Committees*—Mrs. S. C. Crounse, Mrs. G. A. Crannell and Miss Josie Frost.

No. 3. *On Resolutions*—Miss Ellen Cromwell, Miss Mary Knight and Miss Emma Sastrom.

No. 4. *On Nominations*—Mrs. B. F. Pugh, Mrs. W. L. Remsberg and Miss Lydia Bender.

No. 5. *On Auditing Treasurer's Report.*—Mrs. W. A. Pike and Miss H. B. Swobe.

No. 6. *On Last Year's Minutes.*—Mrs. J. W. Kimmel and Mrs. S. S. Riegle.

No. 7. *On Reports of Delegates*—Mrs. I. Bollshaw, Miss B. McMullen, Miss Katie Maclay.

Convention then adjourned for a social hour, which was entered into and enjoyed by all present.

Collection for Synodical work amounted to $2.84.

THIRD SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21ST, 9 A. M.

After the opening services the roll was called and minutes read and approved.

Report of Corresponding Secretary.

Reports of officers being in order, the Corresponding Secretary presented her annual report, from which we glean the following not given elsewhere:

Four new Societies and three Mission Bands were organized during the year, in the following order: Beatrice; Dakota City; Wilber; Sabetha, Kan.; Jubilee Mission Band, Auburn; Kountze Memorial Mission Band, Omaha; and St. Mark's Mission Band, Lincoln. The Societies and Mission Bands at Wayne, Sidney, Stromesburg, Surprise and McCook have sent in no reports during the year.

The Life Members of the General Society now residing within the bounds of our Synodical Society are: Mrs. J. S. Detweiler, Omaha; Mrs. J. B. Bruner, Omaha; Mrs. S. S. Reigle, Omaha; Mrs. C. J. Ernst, Lincoln; Mrs. J. W. Kimmel, Tekamah; Mrs. A. Young, Oakland; and Mrs. J. G. Griffith, Stella.

I also herewith submit a tabulated statement for the year ending August 31st, 1892. (See Appendix I.)

Respectfully submitted, MRS. L. F. M. EASTERDAY,
Corresponding Secretary.

Referred to Com. No. 2.

Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer, Mrs. H. J. Penfold, then offered the following report for the year ending August 31, 1892:

RECEIPTS.

From Mrs. C. J. Ernst (former Treasurer)	$27 58
" Synodical fee, 1891	20 37
" " 1892	44 47
General and special objects	462 25
Collections, 1891 Convention	33 81
Interest on deposits	55
	$589 03

DISBURSEMENTS.

Remitted to General Treasurer	$474 71
To Mrs. L. F. M. Easterday	3 50
" Mrs. G. H. Albright	3 30
" Miss H. B. Swobe	3 91
" Mrs. L. F. M. Easterday	12 78
" Miss H. B. Swobe	3 05
" Lutheran Publication House	48 70
" Express on India goods	1 35
Balance on hand	37 73
	$589 03

Respectfully submitted, MRS. H. J. PENFOLD, *Treas.*

See Appendix II. for Treasurer's Tabulated Statement.

Reports of Standing Committees being in order, the report of the Executive Committee was read, and referred to Committee No. 2.

Report of Literature Committee.

We are indebted to the General Literature Committee to the amount of $7.06, including supplies for this convention. If the eleven Societies who have not paid their annual dues had done so, the bill for tracts would only have been 54 cents, and our total bill $4.01 instead of $7.06. During the year we have made the following sales: 19½ dozen tracts, 33 Manuals, 80 copies Biennial Minutes, 19 India photographs, 87 Mite Boxes. Have taken 14 subscriptions to "Mission Studies," one each for Kansas "Synodical Reporter" and "Children's Missionary."

We take pleasure in calling your attention to our costumes to be used in rendering the missionary exercises found in our "Missionary Mosaic." While these costumes came to us through a mistake, we feel sure that with a little extra effort on your part the bill can easily be met. They cost $17.35, of which $14.33 is yet unpaid. Please do not let them lie idle much of the time, but send for and use them.

We submit the following financial statement:

RECEIPTS.

Sales	$26 28
Subscriptions to "Missions Studies"	2 25
Subscriptions to "Synodical Reporter"	25
Voluntary contributions	94
Collection at La Platte conference	3 02
Annual dues	3 25
Received from Synodical Treasurer	3 05
Total	$39 04

DISBURSEMENTS.

Remitted to Mrs. J. B. Carr	$23 11
Remitted to Miss M. H. Morris	1 40
Remitted to Mr. Delo	20
Remitted to Mrs. A. G. Bond	25
Remitted to Rev. J. C. Jacoby	50
Collection at La Platte conference (on costumes)	3 02
Expense (books, stamps, envelopes, etc.)	10 20
Cash on hand	36
Total	$39 04

Respectfully submitted, MISS H. B. SWOBE,
Chairman.

The various Conference Committees then reported both an increased interest in the work and marked success in the meetings held with the conference.

Reports of delegates were then read, and referred to a special committee (No. 7) composed of Mrs. I. Bollshaw, Miss B. McMullen and Miss Katie Maclay, with instructions to report before the close of this convention.

The morning session closed with a devotional service led by Mrs. B. F. Pugh.

FOURTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 2 P. M.

After the opening exercises the subject "Missionary Funds, (*a*) how secured, and (*b*) how appropriated," was taken up.

Mrs. B. F. Pugh, of Sabetha, Kans., read a very interesting paper on "How Secured," while Mrs. W. L. Remsberg read a paper prepared by Miss Lena Neilhart, of Beatrice, on "How Appropriated." The general discussion was participated in by many of the delegates present.

Place of Next Meeting.

The cordial invitation to hold our fourteenth annual convention in Trinity Lutheran Church, Beatrice, Neb., Rev. W. L. Remsberg, pastor, was unanimously accepted.

The election of delegate to General Convention, to be held at Omaha, May, 1893, resulted in the election of Mrs. C. W. Baker, of Auburn, as Synodical Delegate, and Mrs. W. L. Remsberg, of Beatrice, as alternate.

Miss H. B. Swobe read an interesting paper on "Organization, and Work of Children's Bands," which she illustrated by conducting an exercise with a class of small children.

Devotional service led by Miss L. Bender, closed the afternoon session.

FIFTH SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21, 7:30 P. M.

The pastor conducted the regular Evening Service, Book of Worship, which was followed by a vocal solo by Rev. W. L. Remsberg.

Mrs. J. S. Detweiler delivered an excellent address on "Our Place in the Church."

Letters were then read from our Home Missionaries, Revs. V. G. A. Tressler of San José, and Philip Graif of Oakland, Cal., which were full of hope and confidence and cheer.

Collection for Home Missions amounted to $4.40.

Closed with benediction by Rev. J. W. Kimmel.

SIXTH SESSION.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 22D, 1892, 9 A. M.

Order of service No. 16, Manual, roll call, reading of minutes, opened the morning session.

Report of Committee No. 1—On Letters and Papers.

Your committee has examined the following letters and papers:

(*a*) A paper on "Missionary Funds—How Secured," by Mrs. B. F. Pugh.

(*b*) A paper on "Missionary Funds—How Appropriated," by Miss Lena Neilhart.

(*c*) A paper on "Organization and Work of Children's Bands," by Miss H. B. Swobe.

(*d*) An address, "Our Place in the Church," by Mrs. J. S. Detweiler.

(*e*) A letter from Rev. V. G. A. Tressler, of San José, Cal.

(*f*) A letter from Rev. Philip Graif, Oakland, Cal.

We consider them all interesting and instructive. We hereby extend our thanks to their authors, but especially to Revs. Tressler and Graif, for their kindly words of greeting and very interesting letters on Home Mission work. We would recommend that Mrs. Detweiler's address be printed in some form.

Respectfully submitted, *Committee.*

Adopted.

Report of Committee No. 2.—On Reports of Officers and Standing Committees.

Your Committee would offer the following: We find the President's address very interesting, containing many valuable suggestions which would in some way reach every society. We recommend its adoption item by item.

On motion all, except the recommendations, was adopted.

First recommendation adopted. (See Report.)

Second recommendation adopted.

Third recommendation amended so as to read: That the roll of delegates be called with a view to fixing upon a uniform day and hour for the regular monthly meeting. After some discussion it was decided that all Auxiliaries meet the first week in each month, the day and hour being left to the discretion of each Society.

Fourth reecommendation adopted, and the delegate to the General Convention instructed to report that the Nebraska Synodical Society will assume five per cent., or one-twentieth, of all calls for special objects made by the General Executive Committee.

Fifth recommendation adopted. Report adopted as a whole.

Devotional services, led by Mrs. H. J. Penfold, closed the morning session.

SEVENTH SESSION—THURSDAY.

2 P. M., SEPT. 22.

Opened with Order of Service No. 11, Manual.

Report of Committee No. 2 (continued).

The report of the Corresponding Secretary shows a gain of 130 members, and $165.79 in contributions over last year—an excellent showing. Adopted.

The report of the Executive Committee shows much earnest and important work done by it during the year.

We would urge upon the members of the Auxiliaries that they pay more attention to the distribution of the tracts sent them by the Literature Committee.

Respectfully submitted, *Committee.*

Report of Committee No. 5—On Auditing Treasurer's Report.

Your Committee on Treasurer's report have carefully examined the same and find it correct. *Committee.*

Report of Committee No. 6 on Last Year's Minutes was then offered.

Committee No. 7 on Reports of Delegates then offered the following:

We find that out of a total of 28 Societies, 23 have reported to this Convention. Total membership reported, 281, of whom 142 led in prayer, giving us a small majority of praying members. Surely we will not be discouraged. Of the 4 reports from Mission Bands, having a membership of 61, all are encouraging, because 22 of the members will lead in prayer, and all are willing to do what they can for the Master's sake.

We would urge all Societies and Bands who cannot send delegates to the Convention to be sure and send in reports, as it will give them representation in the Convention, and make a better showing for the following year.

Respectfully submitted, *Committee.*

Mrs. O. M. Easterday, not being able to be present and take her part on the program on account of sickness, on motion the sympathies of the Convention were extended to her, and prayer was offered for her speedy recovery.

A Missionary letter from Miss Dr. Kugler, of Guntoor, India, was then read and referred to Committee No. 1, with instructions to report at this evening's session.

Report of Committee No. 4 on Nominations was then read,

and, after a number of withdrawals, the following officers for the ensuing year were unanimously elected. (See Calendar.)

Rev. J. W. Kimmel offered to devote one page of each issue of the *Lutheran Era* to the history of woman's work in the Synod of Nebraska. On motion the offer was accepted.

Moved that the President appoint the historian for this year.

Devotional service, led by Mrs. W. L. Remsberg, closed the afternoon session.

EIGHTH SESSION.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22D, 7:30 P. M.

Opening services were conducted by Rev. J. W. Kimmel.

Letter of Dr. Kugler.

Committee No. 1 reported on Dr. Anna Kugler's letter as follows:

WHEREAS, We have heard with much pleasure and profit the very interesting letter of our beloved missionary, Dr. Anna Kugler; therefore,

Resolved, That we heartily commend the different objects mentioned therein, viz.:

1st. The assisting in the completion of Miss Kistler's home at Narasarowpett by adding a few more dollars to that already contributed for that object.

2d. The Jubilee Medical Home. As soon as these objects are brought to our notice by the Executive Committee we pledge them our hearty support.

We would further recommend that our Corresponding Secretary be instructed to reply to this letter, assuring Dr. Kugler of our appreciation of and hearty sympathy with her in her arduous labors. Also, that this letter be given to our Literature Committee with instructions to send it in turn to each Auxiliary Society, so that all our ladies have an opportunity of knowing its contents.

Respectfully submitted, *Committee.*

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Miss E. H. Cromwell, Chairman of Committee No. 3, on Resolutions, offered the following:

1. *Resolved*, That we most heartily thank the members of this church for the use of their house of worship and the pleasant reception given to the delegates on Tuesday evening.

2. That we hereby express our sincere thanks to the members and others who have so kindly furnished entertainment for us during our pleasant stay among them.

3. That our thanks are due the pastor and his wife for their untiring efforts in our behalf.

4. That we express our appreciation to Rev. W. L. Remsberg, Miss Mary Knight, and all others who assisted them, for their excellent music which afforded us so much pleasure at this convention.

5. That we most sincerely and heartily thank our beloved President for sending us throughout the year letters full of helpful encouragement and suggestions concerning our part of the work.

6. That we express our thanks to Mrs. J. S. Detweiler for the use of her missionary map during the convention.

7. That we distribute more missionary literature in our Auxiliaries as a means of bringing more women into sympathy with our work.

8. That in view of the great work to be done we press forward for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Respectfully submitted, *Committee.*

Miss Mary Knight then read a tract entitled "Why our Society did not Disband."

The exercise, "The Plea of the Nations," was then rendered in costume, under the direction of Miss H. B. Swobe, for which a vote of thanks was tendered, and her action in procuring the costumes endorsed.

A very interesting and edifying letter from Rev. D. A. Day, D. D., Africa, was then read, and on motion the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to transmit to him the profound thanks of this Convention for his kind letter.

The President then announced the standing committees for the ensuing year. (See Calendar.)

Miss Mary Knight then sang a beautiful solo, after which a collection was lifted for Foreign Missions amounting to $5.64.

A few closing remarks were made by delegates and ministers. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow" was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. W. L. Remsberg, and the thirteenth annual convention was declared finally adjourned, to meet in Beatrice in 1893.

MRS. S. S. RIEGLE,
Recording Secretary.

APPENDIX I.—Tabulated Statement of Corresponding Secretary for Year Ending August 31, 1892.

	Names of Societies.	Names of Corresponding Secretaries.	Organized.	Quarters Reported.	Active Members.	Honorary Members	Life Members	Journals Taken	Meetings Held	Amount sent to Syndical Treasurer	
1	Auburn	Mrs. H. W. Dreyer	1884, 1890	1, 2, 3, 4	21	4	....	20	14	$49	80
2	Auburn Mission Band	Miss Mina Blessing	1892	4	18	....	....	....	10	7	18
3	Benedict	Miss Belle Zerber	1886, 1890	1, 2, 4	30	....	....	11	7	18	65
4	Beatrice	Mrs. R. S. Albright	1892	2, 3, 4	18	....	....	11	8	10	00
5	Dakota City	Miss Lizzie Haase	1891	2, 4	13	....	....	6	9	10	00
6	David City	Mrs. G. S. Rumbaugh	1889	1, 2	11	....	....	....	....	10	08
7	David City Mission Band	Miss Della Stowell	1891	2, 3	12	....	....	....	....	6	01
8	Grand Island	Mrs. W. H. Becker	1886, 1890	1, 2, 3, 4	11	....	....	12	9	16	71
9	Lincoln, St. Mark's	Mrs. Ellen C. Albright	1884	1, 2, 3, 4	23	....	....	17	12	29	71
10	Lincoln, St. Mark's Mission Band	Miss Bertha Du-Teil	1892	4	12	....	....	....	....		60
11	Lincoln, Grace	Mrs. L. P. Ludden	1890	1, 2, 3, 4	26	8	....	17	13	30	00
12	Nebraska City	Miss Lillie Korff	1888	2, 4	16	....	....	10	....	10	40
13	Oakland, Grace	Miss Lizzie Toxword	1882	1, 2, 3	12	....	....	5	7	14	62
14	Omaha, Kountze Memorial	Mrs. Allan Koch	1879, 1886	1, 2, 3, 4	31	3	....	27	11	68	15
15	Omaha, Kountze Memorial Mission Band	Miss Pearl Frietshke	1891	1, 2, 3, 4	12	2	....	....	8	14	51
16	Omaha, St. Mark's	Miss Emma Sasstrom	1887	1, 2, 3, 4	29	3	....	26	12	42	75
17	Omaha, St. Mark's Mission Band	Miss Alma Moe	1886	2, 3, 4	16	13	....	....	9	28	73
18	Omaha, St. Matthew's	Miss Lizzie Koss	1888	1, 3, 4	13	....	....	7	12	22	95
19	Omaha, Von Bora Mission Band		1888	4	....	....	....	....	....	2	00
20	Ponca	Mrs. S. R. Bittenbender	1880	1, 2, 4	17	....	....	....	10	42	40
21	Rising	Miss Tillie Fisher	1882	1, 2, 3, 4	13	....	....	....	13	14	96
22	Stella	Mrs. H. Clark		4	10	....	....	....	....	4	10
23	Stella Mission Band	Miss Maude Graham	1890	1, 2, 3, 4	10	....	....	....	31		36
24	Sabetha, Kans.	Mrs. R. Zehner	1892	3, 4	8	1	....	....	6	3	20
25	Tekamah	Mrs. I. L. Wood	1880	1, 2, 3, 4	10	....	....	10	12	14	20
26	Waverly	Mrs. W. M. Rogers	1888	2	15	....	....	....	....	....	....
27	West Point	Mrs. J. Drahos	1881	1, 2, 3, 4	10	....	....	8	....	14	40
28	Wilber	Mrs. G. Pfeiffer	1892	3	15	....	....	....	....	3	75
29	Yutan	Miss Edith Dunning	1883	1, 2, 3, 4	19	13	....	....	12	44	75
	Totals				451	47	....	187	225	$534	77

APPENDIX II.

Treasurer's Tabulated Statement.

	General Fund.	Sacramento.	Foreign Missions.	Girls' Dormitory	Synodical Fee, 1891.	Synodical Fee, 1892.	Totals.
1. Auburn	$31 70	.....	$10 00	$2 33	$1 56	$3 60	$49 19
2. Beatrice	7 15	.....	.....	.....	70	2 85	10 70
3. Benedict	15 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 65
4. David City	13 88	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	14 48
5. Dakota City	8 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 20	10 00
6. Grand Island	13 80	$2 25	.....	.....	66	.....	16 71
7. Lincoln, Grace	27 75	.....	.....	.....	90	1 35	30 00
8. Lincoln, St. Mark's	20 25	4 10	.....	.....	66	2 70	27 71
9. Nebraska City	9 45	.....	.....	.....	84	2 00	12 29
10. Omaha, Kountze Mem.	28 50	.....	[a]25 00	5 00	2 00	4 65	65 15
11. Omaha, St. Mark's	27 20	8 00	.....	2 00	1 50	4 05	42 75
12. Omaha, St. Matthew's	6 30	.....	[b]3 00	2 00	75	2 80	14 85
13. Oakland	13 90	.....	.....	.....	72	1 80	16 42
14. Ponca	15 25	.....	.....	.....	1 20	3 30	19 75
15. Rising	12 20	.....	[c]70	.....	2 08	.....	14 98
16. Sabetha, Kans.	3 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 20	4 70
17. Stella	10 95	2 00	1 75	.....	1 00	1 80	17 50
18. Tekamah	10 75	.....	.....	1 35	60	1 50	14 20
19. Wayne	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
20. Waverly	3 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 35
21. West Point	12 30	.....	.....	.....	60	1 55	14 45
22. Wilbur	6 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	8 75
23. Yutan	34 25	.....	.....	5 00	4 00	3 00	46 25
1. Auburn, Mission Band	2 58	.....	[b]3 50	.....	.....	1 50	7 58
2. David City, Mission Band	2 96	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 96
3. Omaha, St. Mark's, Miss. Band	3 73	.....	[d]25 00	.....	.....	50	29 23
4. Omaha, Van Bora " "	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	72	1 72
5. Omaha, Kountze Mem. " "	2 30	.....	[e]10 49	.....	.....	.....	12 79
6. Lincoln, St. Mark's	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
7. Stella, Mission Band	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48
8. Donation	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	40
	$348 78	$16 35	$79 44	$17 68	$20 37	$44 47	$527 09

[a] Education of Nallaparti Rebecca in India. [b] Miss Susan R. Kistler. [c] Jubilee Fund. [d] Education of Jonacati Maria in India. [e] Support of Lucy Partrarethy.

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